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(54) Title: KIOSK INFORMATION AND PURCHASE SYSTEM**(57) Abstract**

A kiosk system (10) for providing information to customers and for processing customer orders for items through kiosk units. A customer may place an order by selecting items from an electronic catalog located at a facility such as a pharmacy. The kiosks include a printer placement (38), monitor installation (20), a magnetic strip reader for accepting credit card or debit card transmissions, a UPC bar code scanner for scanning bar codes on product labels to automatically provide on screen information (22). Purchase orders may be transmitted to one or more distribution center computers where they are processed and filed.

